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1. In late January 1951 approximately 200,000 Soviet troops in the Northeast were dispersed in the following areas: 90,000 in the Port Arthur-Dairen area, 12,000 at Harbin, 5,000 at Kungchuling (124-50, 43-32), 5,000 at Suifenho (131-09, 44-23), 10,000 at Changchun, 20,000 at Mukden, 5,000 at Kirin, 10,000 at Tsitsihar, and 40,000 in the mountainous area near Fenghuangcheng (鳳凰城), north of Antung. In addition, during February 120,000 Soviet troops arrived at Harbin and 5,000 at Kungchuling.*
2. The Soviets have established a transportation and supply depot on the border near Manchouli. Approximately 200 freight cars loaded with ammunition, gasoline and general military equipment arrived daily at this depot. The purpose of the depot is not only to support the present Korean fighting, but also for future use by the Soviets as a supply base if they are drawn into actual fighting in Korea.
3. In late January there were 1,200 Soviet jet aircraft in the Northeast, stationed at Mukden and Antung, in addition to aircraft engaged in the Korean fighting. During February another 30 jet planes arrived at an airfield three miles southeast of Harbin.
4. A Mukden factory which formerly produced trench mortars is making** aircraft. Major arsenals were moved from Mukden to mountainous areas in late 1950, and the remaining arsenals are doing repair work only.***
5. Airfields at Tungta (東塔) and Peiling (北陵), near Mukden, have complete radar installation.
6. Twenty thousand Korean troops are in Mukden, and 10,000 Mongolian troops in the Tientsin (鐵西) district.****
7. On 26 February 1951, 90,000 men of the 3 Field Army wearing the unit designation "2530" were along the railroad line between Mukden and Antung.*****

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8. There are 150,000 Chinese Communist regular and 150,000 public security troops in the Northeast.

9. The Chinese Communists have decided to train seven million militiamen who will be used to replace troops killed or wounded on the Korean front.

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Comment. [redacted] from the same source, reports that on 7 January 1951 there were 50,000 Soviet troops in the Mukden area. Twenty thousand of these (according to [redacted] from the same source) were transferred in late January. [redacted] 25X1A from a different source, says that in November 1950 there were 25 Soviet divisions in the Northeast. [redacted], from a different source, reports 200,000 Soviet troops in the Port Arthur-Dairen area in early December 1950. According to [redacted] from a different source, before 10 February 1951 there were only two Soviet divisions in north Manchuria and none in south Manchuria. [redacted] 25X1A from a different source, reports 9,500 Soviet troops in Mukden in mid-February.

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Comment. It is probably assembling aircraft.

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Comment. See [redacted] and [redacted] comment.

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Comment. See [redacted] for previous reports of Mongolian troops in Mukden.

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Comment. This may refer to the Chinese cable code, in which this number would be "Tsao", possibly indicating the name of the commander.

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